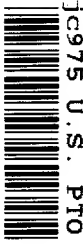


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NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Michael Poirier; Vijay Mahant

For (title): SEMI-CONTINUOUS BLOOD SEPARATION USING MAGNETIC BEADS

1. Type of Application

This transmittal is for a continuation-in-part (C-I-P) application.

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2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Applications (35 U.S.C. Sections 119(e), 120, or 121)

The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. applications. Enclosed are
ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S.
APPLICATIONS CLAIMED.

3. Papers Enclosed

A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. 1.153 (Design)
Application

8 Page(s) of Specification

9 Page(s) of Claims

1 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Formal

B. Other Papers Enclosed

1 Page(s) of abstract

4. Declaration or Oath

Not Enclosed.

Application is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. Section 1.41(c) on
behalf of all of the above-named inventors.

5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

6. Language

English

7. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED					
Claims	Number Filed	Basic Fee Allowance	Number Extra	Rate	Basic Fee 37 CFR 1.16(a) \$740.00
Total Claims (37 CFR 1.16(c))	6	- 20 =	0 x	\$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims (37 CFR 1.16(b))	1	- 3 =	0 x	\$84.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any (37 CFR 1.16(d))			+	\$280.00	\$0.00
Filing Fee Calculation					\$740.00

8. Small Entity Statement(s)

Status as small entity was claimed in prior application 09/949,314, filed on September 7, 2001, from which benefit is being claimed for this application under 35 U.S.C. SECTION 119(e), and which status as a small entity is still proper and desired.

Filing Fee Calculation (50% of above) \$370.00

9. Request for International--Type Search (37 C.F.R. Section 1.104(d))

Please prepare an international-type search report for this application at the time when national examination on the merits takes place.

10. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

Enclosed

Filing Fee

\$370.00

Fee for international-type search report (\$40; 37 C.F.R. Section 1.21(e))

\$40.00

Total Fees Enclosed

\$410.00

11. Method of Payment of Fees

Check in the amount of \$410.00 is attached.

12. Authorization to Charge Additional Fees

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the following additional fees by this paper and during the entire pendency of this application to Account No. 500341.

37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(a), (f) or (g) (filing fees)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b), (c) or (d) (presentation of extra claims)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(e) (surcharge for filing the basic filing fee and/or declaration on a date later than the filing date of the application)

37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(a)(1)-(5) (extension fees pursuant to SECTION 1.136(a))

37 C.F.R. Section 1.17 (application processing fees)

13. Instructions as to Overpayment

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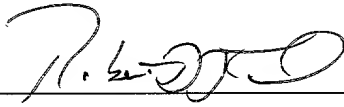
14. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed

a. This application discloses and claims additional disclosure by amendment and a new declaration or oath is being filed. With respect to the prior application, the inventors in this application are the same.

15. Small Entity (37 C.F.R. Section 1.28(a))

Applicant has established small entity status by the filing of a statement in parent application 09/514,686 on February 28, 2000.

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